Functions, powers, and duties of Civil Aeronautics Board terminated or transferred by section 1551 of former Title 49, Transportation, effective in part on Dec. 31, 1981, in part on Jan. 1, 1983, and in part on Jan. 1, 1985.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 1693b, 1693p of this title.

§1693p. Reports to Congress

(a) Not later than twelve months after the effective date of this subchapter and at one-year intervals thereafter, the Board shall make reports to the Congress concerning the administration of its functions under this subchapter, including such recommendations as the Board deems necessary and appropriate. In addition, each report of the Board shall include its assessment of the extent to which compliance with this subchapter is being achieved, and a summary of the enforcement actions taken under section 1693o of this title. In such report, the Board shall particularly address the effects of this subchapter on the costs and benefits to financial institutions and consumers, on competition, on the introduction of new technology, on the operations of financial institutions, and on the adequacy of consumer protection.

(b) In the exercise of its functions under this subchapter, the Board may obtain upon request the views of any other Federal agency which, in the judgment of the Board, exercises regulatory or supervisory functions with respect to any class of persons subject to this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 90321, title IX, §918, as added Pub. L. 95630, title XX, §2001, Nov. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 3740; amended Pub. L. 97375, title II, §209(a), Dec. 21, 1982, 96 Stat. 1825.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

For effective date of this subchapter, referred to in subsec. (a), see section 921 of Pub. L. 90321, set out as an Effective Date note under section 1693 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

1982—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 97375 struck out requirement that the Attorney General make a report on the same terms as the Board, and that such report also contain an analysis of the impact of this subchapter on the operation, workload, and efficiency of the Federal courts, and substituted "necessary and appropriate" for "necessary or appropriate".

§1693q. Relation to State laws

This subchapter does not annul, alter, or affect the laws of any State relating to electronic fund transfers, except to the extent that those laws are inconsistent with the provisions of this subchapter, and then only to the extent of the inconsistency. A State law is not inconsistent with this subchapter if the protection such law affords any consumer is greater than the protection afforded by this subchapter. The Board shall, upon its own motion or upon the request of any financial institution, State, or other interested party, submitted in accordance with procedures prescribed in regulations of the Board, determine whether a State requirement is inconsistent or affords greater protection. If the Board determines that a State requirement is inconsistent, financial institutions shall incur

no liability under the law of that State for a good faith failure to comply with that law, not-withstanding that such determination is subsequently amended, rescinded, or determined by judicial or other authority to be invalid for any reason. This subchapter does not extend the applicability of any such law to any class of persons or transactions to which it would not otherwise apply.

(Pub. L. 90321, title IX, §919, as added Pub. L. 95630, title XX, §2001, Nov. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 3741.)

§1693r. Exemption for State regulation

The Board shall by regulation exempt from the requirements of this subchapter any class of electronic fund transfers within any State if the Board determines that under the law of that State that class of electronic fund transfers is subject to requirements substantially similar to those imposed by this subchapter, and that there is adequate provision for enforcement.

(Pub. L. 90321, title IX, §920, as added Pub. L. 95630, title XX, §2001, Nov. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 3741.)

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§1701. Definitions

For the purposes of this chapter, the term—

- (1) "Secretary" means the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development;
- (2) "person" means an individual, or an unincorporated organization, partnership, association, corporation, trust, or estate;

- (3) "subdivision" means any land which is located in any State or in a foreign country and is divided or is proposed to be divided into lots, whether contiguous or not, for the purpose of sale or lease as part of a common promotional plan;
- (4) "common promotional plan" means a plan, undertaken by a single developer or a group of developers acting in concert, to offer lots for sale or lease; where such land is offered for sale by such a developer or group of developers acting in concert, and such land is contiguous or is known, designated, or advertised as a common unit or by a common name, such land shall be presumed, without regard to the number of lots covered by each individual offering, as being offered for sale or lease as part of a common promotional plan;
- (5) "developer" means any person who, directly or indirectly, sells or leases, or offers to sell or lease, or advertises for sale or lease any lots in a subdivision;
- (6) "agent" means any person who represents, or acts for or on behalf of, a developer in selling or leasing, or offering to sell or lease, any lot or lots in a subdivision; but shall not include an attorney at law whose representation of another person consists solely of rendering legal services;
- (7) "blanket encumbrance" means a trust deed, mortgage, judgment, or any other lien or encumbrance, including an option or contract to sell or a trust agreement, affecting a subdivision or affecting more than one lot offered within a subdivision except that such term shall not include any lien or other encumbrance arising as the result of the imposition of any tax assessment by any public authority:
- (8) "interstate commerce" means trade or commerce among the several States or between any foreign country and any State;
- (9) "State" includes the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the territories and possessions of the United States;
- (10) "purchaser" means an actual or prospective purchaser or lessee of any lot in a subdivision; and
- (11) "offer" includes any inducement, solicitation, or attempt to encourage a person to acquire a lot in a subdivision.
- (Pub. L. 90448, title XIV, §1402, Aug. 1, 1968, 82 Stat. 590; Pub. L. 93383, title VIII, §812(a), Aug. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 736; Pub. L. 96153, title IV, §401, Dec. 21, 1979, 93 Stat. 1122; Pub. L. 100628, title X, §1089(a), Nov. 7, 1988, 102 Stat. 3283.)

AMENDMENTS

 $1988\mathrm{-Par.}$ (10). Pub. L. 100628 inserted "and" after semicolon.

1979—Par. (3). Pub. L. 96153 substituted provisions defining "subdivision" as the division or proposed division of land into lots for the purpose of sale or lease as part of a common promotional plan, for provisions defining "subdivision" as the division or proposed division of land into fifty or more lots for the purpose of sale or lease as part of a common promotional plan and presumptions respecting activities as being deemed part of such common promotional plan.

Pars. (4) to (11). Pub. L. 96153 added par. (4) and redesignated former pars. (4) to (10) as (5) to (11), respectively.